
Ways to Get Involved at First UU

Contact the office at office@uurochmn.org to stay informed by signing up for our weekly newsletter (eNews).

Blue Holiday Service

Thursday, December 15 ~ 7pm (livestreamed & in person)

Sanctuary

For many, the winter holiday season is a time of many emotions, including grief, pain, or loss. This is a contemplative, quiet holiday service to honor the complex feelings the holidays can bring. Come for music, poetry, and candle lighting in community. Childcare available upon request. Email Amy Nelson.

Creative Art Series

10 am – 12 pm

Commons

December 17 ~ Joan Hinds ~ Felted Ornaments

Winter Solstice Celebration

Wednesday, December 21 ~ 5-7pm

Sanctuary & Courtyard

Christmas Eve Services

Saturday, December 24 ~ 4pm (livestreamed & in person) and 6pm (in person only)

Cookie and Bar Reception ~ 5pm

Twelfth Night Christmas Tree Bonfire

Saturday, January 7 ~ 4:30-6:30 pm

Come light up the night at Squash Blossom Farm

Let's gather to celebrate a belated Twelfth Night, the final day of the Christmas season, and the beginning of Epiphany, commemorating the arrival of the Magi bringing gifts to the baby Jesus. It is the day that Orthodox Christians celebrate Christmas, and in many parts of the world bonfires are part of the celebrations. See the eNews to register.

Contact the office (office@uurochmn.org) or go to our website (uurochmn.org) for more information on these events.

FIRST UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH

December Theme: Wonder

December 11, 2022 – *Humbug*

Gathering Music		Austin Ferguson
Welcome		Rev. Luke Stevens-Royer
*Hymn #389	<i>Gathered Here</i>	
Chalice Lighting		
Music	<i>Prelude, from Nouveaux Concerts No. 11</i> by François Couperin	Brady Blalock & Austin Ferguson
Time for All Ages		Amy Nelson
Children's Benediction		
Lyrics: <i>May Peace surround you, May Love surround you, as you go, as you go on your way</i>		
Reflection		Anne Black-Sinak
Music	<i>Rondeau, from Nouveaux Concerts No. 11</i> by François Couperin	
Embracing Meditation		Melissa Egglar
Prayer		
Hymn #1002	<i>Comfort Me vv. 1,2</i>	
Readings	<i>Snow Becoming Light By Morning</i> by Jill Osier <i>Blizzard</i> by Linda Pastan	
Offertory Music	<i>Duo in E-Flat Major: Allegro</i> by Norbert Burgmuller	
Sermon	<i>Humbug</i>	Rev. Luke Stevens-Royer
*Hymn #55	<i>Dark of Winter, Soft and Still</i>	
Benediction		
Postlude		

* Please rise in body or spirit.

THIS MORNING'S PARTICIPANTS...

Humbug

Service Participants:

Rev. Luke Stevens-Royer, Anne Black-Sinak, Amy Nelson, Melissa Egglar, and music from Brady Blaylock and Austin Ferguson

Guest Musician:

Brady is a multi instrumentalist currently working on a bachelor's in clarinet performance at the University of Washington. He was raised in small town in Lindale, Texas, before he moved to Seattle to pursue further music opportunities. He has also subbed on 2nd clarinet/alto saxophone for the Mesquite Symphony Orchestra in the DFW area for the 2021-2022 concert season.

Offertory:

Monthly Justice Partner - Updated Offering Practice

We donate our *entire* offering collection most Sundays to our monthly justice partners, instead of splitting the collection 50/50. We will hold occasional collections for the church itself throughout the year. We hope this practice will help increase the support we can offer to our justice partners, as we strive to deepen our practice of justice and generosity.

December's Justice Partner is Family Promise of Rochester.

Family Promise delivers innovative solutions for family homelessness including prevention, shelter, and stabilization services. Families come to them in crisis. They help them rebuild their lives with new skills and ongoing support.

Use the QR code to go directly to our giving page on our website:



Building Our Future: Beyond Ourselves

Follow this QR code to our Building Our Future: Beyond Ourselves webpage. Here you will find forum dates and topics concerning the future of our building and grounds.



WELCOME TO FIRST UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH OF ROCHESTER, MN

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HEARING ASSISTANCE & LARGE-PRINT BULLETINS

We have hearing assistant devices and large-print bulletins available for Sunday services. Please see an usher for these items or for assistance.

FAITH DEVELOPMENT FOR CHILDREN 4 YRS – 5TH GRADE & YOUTH 6-12TH GRADE

Children's Faith Development is during service and children can recess after the Time for All Ages. Youth are invited to either service and to also attend Faith Development at 10:10 am. Connect with Amy Nelson or Derik Robertson, listed below.

NURSERY CARE

Nursery care is available each Sunday, and for many church events, for ages 6 months – 3 years. The nursery is located up the small incline past the main lobby.

LIVE VIDEO OF THE SERVICE OUTSIDE OF THE SANCTUARY

If you or your children need more space or a coloring table, there are monitors with live video of the service near the lobby.

GETTING INVOLVED

If you would like to find meaningful ways to serve in the church, get involved in classes or groups, or consider becoming a member, please contact Melissa Egglar, listed below.

CARING CONCERNS

If you have a joy or sorrow you would like to have shared during the service, or would like to connect with our caring committee, please contact Melissa Egglar, listed below.

SOCIAL MEDIA & WEBSITE

Find the church calendar, service videos, and other information about the life of the church on our website at www.uurochmn.org and on Facebook: *First Unitarian Universalist Church-Rochester, MN*.

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